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Title: **METHOD AND APPARATUS FOR CONTROLLING THE ADSORPTION OF  
A LIQUID SAMPLE THROUGH AN ABSORBENT LAYER**

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**Items required upon filing:**

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